

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS AERONAUTICAL SYSTEMS DIVISION (AFSC)  
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO 45433



REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: ASRCK

JAN 27 1969

SUBJECT: F-12/SR-71 Common Tooling

TO: Lockheed Aircraft Corporation  
Attn: Mr. Clarence Heckman  
Burbank, California

1. The information below is furnished for your guidance.
2. In a telegram addressed to the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Mr. Kelly Johnson agreed that Lockheed Corp would hold tooling common to the SR-71 and F-12B at no expense to the Government pending a future decision on the F-12B.
3. The SPO has received a copy of a message from the Deputy Secretary of Defense to Mr. Kelly Johnson in which the Secretary concurred with the holding of above referenced tooling at no expense to the Government until June 1969 or until such time as storage costs will be charged to the Government, whichever occurs first.

*Albert E. Novelli*  
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Cy to: Mr. Kelly Johnson  
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FROM: SECDEF WASH DC

TO: MR KELLY JOHNSON, LOCKHEED CORP.  
2555 NORTH HOLLYWOOD WAY  
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INFO: MR VERN JACKSON, WASHDC REPRESENTATIVE  
LOCKHEED  
900 L7TH ST NW, WASH DC

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FROM: OASD(17L)

SUBJ: DISPOSITION OF TOOLING COMMON TO LOCKHEED  
SR-71 AND F-12

REFERENCE YOUR TELEGRAM OF DECEMBER 12, 1968

CONCERNING DISPOSITION OF TOOLING COMMON TO THE  
SR-71 AND F-12B. I UNDERSTAND LOCKHEED HAS AGREED  
TO HOLD SUCH TOOLING AT NO EXPENSE TO THE GOVERNMENT  
PENDING A FUTURE DECISION ON THE F-12B. I CONCUR  
WITH THE HOLDING OF SUCH TOOLING ON THIS BASIS  
UNTIL JUNE 1969 OR UNTIL SUCH TIME AS STORAGE COSTS  
WILL BE CHARGED TO THE GOVERNMENT, WHICHEVER OCCURS  
FIRST.

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